

REMARKS

This case has been carefully reviewed and analyzed in view of the Office Action dated 18 May 2005. Responsive to that Office Action, Claim 2 is now cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer, and Claims 1 and 3 are amended for further prosecution with the other pending claims. Such amendment of claims is made in the interest of expediting prosecution of this case, in light of the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter in the Office Action.

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected Claims 1, 3 – 4, and 6 – 8 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Applicant's admitted prior art. The Examiner also rejected Claim 5 under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over the admitted prior art, further in view of the Hayashi et al. reference.

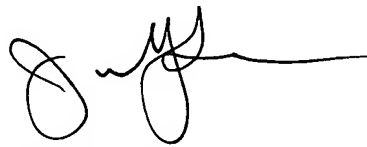
As for Claim 2, the Examiner merely objected to that claim for being dependent upon a rejected base claim. The Examiner indicated that Claim 2 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form to include all of the limitations of the base and any intervening claims.

Accordingly, each of the Independent Claims 1 and 3 is amended to incorporate the subject matter of Claim 2 therein, as well as to correct a typographical error. Claim 2 itself is canceled to remove redundancy. It is believed, therefore, that Claims 1 and 3, and Claims 4-8 which depend therefrom are now in allowable form.

Again, such amendment of Claims is made in the interest of expediting prosecution of this case, given the Examiner's indication of allowable subject matter. The amendment of Claims is made, moreover, without addressing the merits of the Examiner's rejections under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103.

It is now believed that the subject Patent Application has been placed fully in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,
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AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

The attached sheets of drawings include changes to Figs. 1 and 4. These sheets, which include Figs. 1 and 4, replace the original sheets including those figures. In each of these Figs. 1 and 4, a typographical error is removed from its label/legend.

Attachments: Two replacement sheets.